Funds for Quake Victims

4067. SHRI SUBRAMANIAN SWAMY Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news item published in the Blitz Hindi issue of 18th January, 1992 under the caption "Sare Dollar Kahan Kaye";

(b) whether Government have taken any steps to inquire into the collection and utilization of funds collected by various agencies for the quake victims in Uttar Pradesh; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Facts are being ascertained from the concerned agencies.

Operation Flood Project

4068. SHRI PRABHAKAR B. KORE: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether any targets had been fixed for operation flood I, II, III as also for World Bank-aided dairy projects in Karnataka, Rajasthan and Madhya Pradesh, if so, the details thereof indicating the actual achievements against each target, project-wise and State-wise;

(b) the funds allocated for each of these targets, State-wise and actual expenditure incurred thereon;

(c) whether it is a fact that funds were diverted to favourite States and from Milk production to milk processing and if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) whether objective of attaining self-sufficiency in milk production for four metro cities by 1975 and for the country by 1985 has been achieved and if not the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI K. C. LENKA): (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Food and Agriculture Organisation

4069. SHRI JAGMOHAN: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the open letter to the Director-General of Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations, written by about 50 organisations and groups published in March/April, 1991 issue of "The Ecologist";

(b) whether it is a fact that in the said letter, Food and Agriculture Organisation's policies have been blamed for causing famines ecological destruction and social alienation;

(c) whether member States have been urged to withhold payments from Food and Agriculture Organisation pending radical reappraisal of its policies and restructuring of its administrative set-up; and

(d) what view Government have taken in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir.

(c) and (d) No organisation or group endorsing the open letter to the Director-General of Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations have approached Government of India in this regard.

Development of Fisheries in Andhra Pradesh

4070. DR. G. VIJAYA MOHAN REDDY: Will the Minister of AGRICULURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether World Bank has agreed to give loan for the development of Fisheries in Andhra Pradesh; and